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BOOK REVIEW

Insects that feed on trees and shrubs. An illustrated practical guide. Warren T. Johnson and Howard H. Lyon. 464 pp., 212 color illustrations. Comstock Publishing Associates—Cornell University Press, Ithaca and London. 1976. \$35.00.

This book was prepared with the collaboration of Carl S. Koehler of the University of California, Berkeley, of N. E. Johnson of Weyerhaeuser Company, and of J. A. Weidhaas of Virginia Polytechnic Institute. It is an unusual reference work, which combines authoritative descriptions of pests with beautiful full-page color plates. The text is authoritative, readable, concise, and well organized. The book is divided into two parts— insects that feed on conifers, and those that feed on leafed evergreens and deciduous plants. Not only professional entomologists and extension workers, but laymen interested in indoor and outdoor plants will find this treatise very useful. In numerous instances natural enemies of pests that exert biological control have been mentioned. Life cycles, seasonal histories, diagrammatic drawings explaining morphological features, and distribution maps are among the important features of this work. A good subject index is provided. The illustrations are perhaps the most remarkable feature and they enhance the value of this volume. The color photographs have been prepared by Prof. Johnson as well as by Howard H. Lyon, whose professional skill was responsible for many of the striking pictures of living insects. These illustrations are crisp and sharp and the color rendition of high quality. This practical guide belongs into every college and university library as well as every public library. It will also be of considerable interest to home garden owners everywhere. Those who will examine this book will wish to own their personal copies, because of the lasting value of this publication.

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